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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In response to the Office Action mailed July 19, 2005, transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- 1. Amendment and Response to July 19, 2005 Office Action (15 pages);
- 2. Exhibits A through D (34 pages);
- 3. Petition for Extension of Time (1 page, in duplicate);
- 4. Check No. 21697 in the amount of \$225.00 in payment of extension fee; and
- 5. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 Ref. No. 28747-502 NATL. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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